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SUBJECT: U. S. BASKETBALL DELEGATION

FOR CU

1. TVS REPRESENTATIVE EINHORN AND FOUR ASSOCIATES LEFT PEKING JUNE 21 FOR CANTON ENROUTE US LEAVING ONE CAMERA-MAN (ANDERSEN) WITH DELEGATION. TVS GROUP DID NOT HAVE ENOUGH CASH TO PAY SHIPPING CHARGES ON TV EQUIPMENT AND LEFT OWING APPROX. YUAN 6500. ALL CHINA SPORTS FEDERATION (ACSF) AGREED TO PAY THIS ON EINHORN' S PROMISE TO REMIT THIS SUM TO ACSF BY TELEGRAPH.

2. REMAINING TVS MAN ANDERSEN HAS NO MONEY FOR LIVING EXPENSES, AND SAYS EINHORN AND ZUCKERMAN DID NOT GIVE HIM ENOUGH. ANDERSEN ALSO SAYS HE NEEDS AN ASSISTANT CAMERAMAN. WE HAVE ASKED CHINESE TO LOAN US ONE, BUT PROSPECT IS DIM. ANDERSEN CLAIMS TVS OWES HIM TOTAL OF US \$675.50. THIS INCLUDES \$300 ACCOUNTABLE FUNFS, \$265.50 PER DIEM, AND \$60 FOR STILL FILM COSTS. IF SITUATION NOT RECTIFIED, ANDERSEN WANTS TO RETURN TO US IMMEDIATELY AND THREATENS COURT ACTION AGAINST EINHORN.

3. OUR UNDERSTANDING OF TVS CONTRACT WITH JFKENNEDY COLLEGE AND US COLLEGIATE SPORTS COUNCIL (USCSC) IS THAT TVS AGREED TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTARY FILM ON DELEGATIONS VISIT AND TO LEAVE TWO CAMERAMEN WITH DELEGATION TO DO THIS. ONE COPY OF THIS DOCUMENTARY IS TO BE GIVEN TO

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JFK AND ONE TO USCSC. DOCUMENTARY IS SEPARATE
FROM TELEVISION SPECIAL.

4. IF OUR UNDERSTANDING OF CONTRACT IS CORRECT, EINHORN
HAS BROKEN CONTRACT BY NOT LEAVING TWO CAMERAMEN. CONTRACT
ALSO WILL BE BROKEN IF HE DOES NOT PAY CAMERAMAN' S SALARY
AND LATTER RETURNS TO US WITHOUT COMPLETING DOCUMENTARY.

5. ACTION REQUESTED. PLEASE CHECK WITH JFK AND USCSC TO
CONFIRM DETAILS OF CONTRACT. CALL EINHORN AND CONFIRM
THAT HE IS REMITTING FUNDS OWING ACSF FOR SHIPPING
EXPENSES. IF OUR UNDERSTANDING OF CONTRACT IS CORRECT,
URGE EINHORN TO REMIT TO ANDERSEN \$625.50 WHICH HE CLAIMS
IS OWED HIM, AND GET EINHORN' S AGREEMENT TO PAY COSTS OF
HIRING NECESSARY CHINESE CAMERAMAN IF WE CAN ARRANGE IT.

6. WE WILL KEEP ANDERSEN WITH US UNTIL WE RECEIVE REPLY
FROM DEPT. WOULD APPRECIATE RESPONSE SOONEST. APART
FROM THIS, TRIP IS PRECEEDING IN MOST FRIENDLY MANNER
AND WITH UTMOST COOPERATION OF CHINESE.
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